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INTRODUCTION

The Lord of Tirumala is the all-pervading Lord of the Universe. A large number of devotees - daily 30,000 on an average, visit the sacred shrine of Lord Venkateswara to pay their homage to Him.

Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams are in turn dedicated themselves in serving these devotees by providing facilities for darsan, accommodation as well as for sevas. The aim of the Devasthanams has always been to improve these facilities for making the pilgrimage a spiritual experience.

This booklet is a revised and updated edition containing more detailed information about the accommodation, the sevas and festivals at Tirumala in which they can participate and general information about what to do and what not to do on the Holy Hills.

The Management of T.T.D. hopes this booklet will serve as a valuable guide to the pilgrims.

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TIRUMALA - THE ABODE OF LORD VENKATESWARA

Venkatadri samam sthanam brahmande nasti kinchana,
Venkatesa samo devo na bhuto na bhavishyati.

Picturesquely situated on the top of the hills, Tirumala - the abode of Lord Venkateswara, is reputed as the most ancient temple in India. Sastras, Puranas, sthalamahatmyams, and Alwar hymns, unequivocally declare that in the Kali Yuga one can attain Mukthi only through worshipping this Venkata Nayaka or Lord Venkateswara.

To illustrate that Venkatadri is unique in its sacredness, it is enough to point out that Sri Ramanuja, the great Sri Vaishnava Acharya, reached Lord Venkateswara on his knees, as he thought it sacrilegious to climb on foot the Hills on which the Lord rested.

HISTORY

Ample epigraphic testimony about the antiquity of the temple is available and has been collected and published by the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams. The temple itself is believed to have existed from very ancient times and it is said that Sri Venkateswara is referred to even in the Rig Veda.

'Sri Venkatachala Mahatmyam' contains Puranic lores from the twelve Mahapuranas. The puranic legends say that after the Pralaya kalpa preceding the great Deluge, the Supreme Being Maha Vishnu, revealed Himself in the form of a White Boar, Sweta Varaha, rescued the earth and recreated it and having re-established the universe, He decided to stay on the earth for some time to protect the good and destroy the evil. Thus God Vishnu revealed Himself earlier, in the previous incarnation as Varahaswamy on the bank of the Varaha Tirtham i.e., northern portion of Pushkarini at Tirumala. This manifestation as the White Boar is enshrined in the Adi Varahaswami temple on the North western bank of the Pushkarini at Tirumala. This temple is believed to be older than the temple of Lord Venkateswara and claims precedence in worship and Nivedana.

There are many more legends about the Venkatachala Hill and Lord Venkateswara in the Varaha and Bhavishyottara Puranas.

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The meritorious benefits acquired by a pilgrimage to Venkatachala are mentioned in the Puranas and Sri Venkateswara is described as the great giver of boons.

References to the temple are also found in many works of Tamil poetry of the Sangam Age.

While the antiquity of the temple seems to be a hoary one, all the great dynasties of rulers of the southern peninsula have paid their homage to this ancient shrine. The Pallavas of Kancheepuram (ninth century A.D.), Cholas of Tanjore (a century later), Pandyas of Madurai, and the kings and chiefs of Vijayanagar (14th - 15th Century) were, many of them, devotees of Lord Venkateswara and they vied with each other in endowing the temple with rich offerings and benefactions. It was during the Vijayanagar dynasty that the number of benefactions increased. The statues of Sri Krishna Devaraya and his consorts were installed in the temple at the portals, in his own life-time and they can be seen even today. There is also a statue of Venkatapati Raya.

After the decline of the Vijayanagar dynasty the other nobles and chiefs from all parts of the country continued paying their homage and gifts to the temple. The Maratta general, Raghoji Bhonsle, visited the temple and set up a permanent endowment for the conduct of worship in the temple. He also presented valuable jewels to the God, including the great emerald which is still preserved in a box named after him. Among the later rulers who have endowed large benefactions are the rulers of Mysore and Gadwal.

After the fall of the Hindu kingdoms, the Muslim rulers of Karnataka and the Britishers stepped into their shoes and many of the temples came under their supervisory and protective control.

In 1843 A.D. when the East India Company divested itself of the direct management of non-Christian places of worship and of native religious institutions, the administration of the shrine of Sri Venkateswara with a number of estates was entrusted to Sri Seva Dossji of the Hathiramji Mutt at Tirumala as Vicharanakarta and for nearly a century, till 1933 A.D., the temple was under the administrative charge of the mahants.

In 1933 by a special Act passed by the Madras Legislature, the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Committee was

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invested with the powers of administration and control through a Commissioner appointed by the Government of Madras. This committee was assisted by a Religious Advisory Council in regard to religious matters and a Ryots Advisory Council in regard to the management of the estates of the T.T.D.

To-day, T.T.Devasthanams which maintain 12 temples and their sub-shrines is a conglomerate of temples brought under the first schedule 2 of the Act 30 of 1987 enacted by Andhra Pradesh government. It is managed by a Board of Trustees appointed by the state government. The Executive Officer is the Chief Executive of the administration. He is assisted by two Joint Executive Officers, Financial Advisor and Chief Accounts Officer, Deputy Executive Officers, Security and Vigilance Officer, Conservator of Forests and Chief Engineer in various spheres of activity. Besides, there are other officials like Law Officer, Welfare Officer, Public Relations Officer, Marketing Officer, Educational Officer and others to look after several wings of administration.

LEGENDS ABOUT TIRUMALA AND ITS GOD

There are numerous collections of legends and stories about Tirumala and its God, Sri Venkateswara or Srinivasa. These are to be found in many of the Puranas. All these have been collected and edited in a book, entitled the 'Venkatachalamahatmyam'. An inscription from Tirumala mentions a 'Venkatachalamahatmyam' read in the temple before the Deity. It is not known if the work of this name, now available in print, is the same as the one referred to in the inscription. The printed work contains extracts from the Varahapurana, Padmapurana, Garudapurana, Brahmandapurana, Markandeyapurana, Harivamsa, Vamanapurana, Brahmapurana, Brahmottarapurana, Adityapurana, Skandapurana and Bhavishyottarapurana. Most of these extracts describe the sanctity and greatness of the hills round Tirumala and of numerous tirthas situated on them. The following legends taken from the 'Venkatachalamahatmyam' pertaining to the manifestation of the Lord are of particular interest:

The Lord's Manifestation At Tirumala

There are two stories which explain the reason for Srinivasa's presence on this hill.

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Once, Vishnu wanted to have a change from his usual abode in Vaikuntha. He asked Narada to suggest a place on this earth which would be suitable for diversion and sport. Narada suggested the neighbourhood of the place where Seshachala came to be located, later on. Subsequently, Vayu and Sesha disputed their relative strength and entered into a serious dispute. Sesha wound his long body round a part of Meru and challenged Vayu to move it. Vayu did his best to shake the hillock but could not. Ultimately, Sesha opened his mouth to breathe and taking advantage of it, Vayu entered his body and blew off part of the hill. After the hill had travelled a long distance, Meru interfered and requested Vayu to leave it there and the latter did so. Ashamed of his defeat, Sesha did penance thinking of Vishnu. Vishnu appeared before him and offered a boon. Sesha, assuming the shape of a hill, requested the Lord to stay on his head, wanted the hill to be known as Seshachala. Vishnu thought of Narada's suggestion, made previously, and agreed to live on Seshachala. This story is found in the Brahmapurana.

The Bhavishyottarapurana narrates another story which runs as follows:-

Once a number of Rishis assembled on the bank of the Ganga and got things ready for the performance of a Yajna. Narada came to them and asked them which god they intended to please by performing the sacrifice. The Rishis were nonplussed and requested the sage, Bhrigu, to solve the problem. That sage undertook to solve the problem by examining the three chief divinities. He first went to the abode of Brahma and found him busy chanting the Vedas with one mouth, uttering the name of Narayana with another and looking at Goddess Saraswati with the third face. He took no notice of Bhrigu. Then the sage went to the abode of Siva. There again he found Siva fully absorbed in sporting with his consort and not taking notice of Bhrigu's arrival and presence. From here Bhrigu went to Vaikuntha and found Vishnu similarly engaged in amours with Lakshmi. Disgusted with this, Bhrigu kicked Vishnu on his chest. Vishnu immediately got up, massaged the Rishi's foot and enquired if it had been injured. Pleased with this kind attention paid by Vishnu, Bhrigu returned to the Rishis and advised them to dedicate the Yajna to Vishnu. Lakshmi was pigned at the insolent behaviour of the rishi because he kicked the spot which

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was her favourite resort on the bosom of the Lord and she went away to Karavirapura or Kolhapur to stay there, leaving Vishnu. Unable to bear the solitude, Vishnu left Vaikuntha and wandered about. In course of time he came to Seshachala, found it sufficiently interesting and settled down on the mountain in an ant-hill, on the bank of the Svamipushkarini.

TIRUPATI

Tirupati, in Chittoor District of Andhra Pradesh, is situated at the foot of the Tirumala Hills. It is an ancient town associated with the Vaishnava preceptor, Sri Ramanuja.

Sri Ramanuja, the greatest Vaishnava preceptor, founded Govindaraja Swamy temple in 1130 A.D. and started a small settlement round it and named it Tirupati. Several new shrines like Kodandarama Swamy temple, Narasimha Swamy Shrine and Kapileswara Swamy Temple were also built in different parts of Tirupati. The improved facilities at Tirupati to the pilgrims by the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams had contributed to a large extent to the development of Tirupati.

ALAMELUMANGAPURAM (TIRUCHANOOR)

Tiruchanoor, also known as Alamelumangapuram, which is about 5 kms from Tirupati is also an ancient sacred place. The Temple of Sri Padmavathi Devi, the consort of Lord Venkateswara is situated in this place. It is said that the visit to Tirumala is fruitful only after a visit to Sri Padmavathi Devi Temple at Tiruchanoor. Therefore, after visiting the temples at Tirumala and Tirupati, the pilgrims proceed to Tiruchanoor to worship Goddess Padmavathi Devi. The sacred tank adjoining the Padmavathi Devi Temple is called Padma Sarovar. The legend is that the Goddess revealed Herself on a lotus in this sacred tank.

SRINIVASA MANGAPURAM

Srinivasa Mangapuram, a small village, is 12 kms. to the west of Tirupati. Sri Kalyana Venkateswara Swamy Temple is located to the south-east of this village. Legends say that Lord Venkateswara after his marriage with Padmavathi Devi stayed here for sometime before proceeding to Tirumala.

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NARAYANAVANAM

Narayanavanam is a small town about 22 kms. south-east of Tirupati. A shrine dedicated to Kalyana Venkateswara is located here. Puranas and legends claim that Lord Venkateswara married Padmavathi Devi, the daughter of Akasa Raja, at this hallowed place and that to commemorate this great event, Akasa Raja built the temple.

NAGALAPURAM

Nagalapuram is a small town about 65 kms. south-east of Tirupati. However, its centre of attraction is the Temple of Sri Vedanarayana Swamy which is a fine specimen of the Vijayanagar style. The sanctum sanctorum houses an image of the Matsyavatara form of Vishnu accompanied by Sri Devi and Bhu Devi on either side.

Sun worship is an important aspect at this temple. Every year in the month of March the rays of the Sun pass through the Gopuram entrance for three days and fall on the idol in the sanctum and this is considered as an act of adoration by the Sun. The temple is said to have been constructed by Sri Krishna Devaraya, the Vijayanagar emperor at the behest of his mother.

KARVETINAGARAM

This temple situated near Puttur and at a distance of 58 kilometres from Tirupati is dedicated to Lord Venugopalaswami with Rukmini and Satyabhama. This was maintained by the Narayanavanam rulers in the olden days. It also houses a shrine with monolithic idols of Sita, Rama, Lakshmana's and Anjaneya.

APPALAYAGUNTA

The temple of Lord Prasanna Venkateswaraswami is located at Appalayagunta, 15 kilometres from Tirupati. Festivals like Brahmotsavam and Teppotsavam are being celebrated on a grand scale. The idols of Goddess Padmavathi and Sri Andal are also seen in this ancient temple.The temple constructed by the Rajas of Karvetinagar consists of a shrine for Anjaneya. The imposing mammoth image of the wind-god is worshipped by devotees for relief from 'chronic diseases'.

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Alaya Darsanam

T.T. Devasthanams have arranged package tour to these holy temples for the benefit of devotees. The Alaya Darsanam buses as they are called, make their pilgrimage to the temples in and around Tirupati easier and comfortable.

CONVEYANCE

Tirupati

Air:- Indian Airlines daily flights connect Tirupati with Hyderabad and Madras.

Tirupati Sector

ICCD 519

11.00 A.M.	Dep	Madras
11.20 A.M.	Arr	Tirupati
11.55 A.M.	Dep	Tirupati
12.50 P.M.	Arr	Hyderabad

ICCD 520

1.30 P.M.	Dep	Hyderabad
2.25 P.M.	Arr	Tirupati

Halt at Tirupati for half an hour

3.20 P.M.	Arr	Madras

These services will be on Tuesdays/Thursdays only

Rail: Train facilities are available to various directions like Secunderabad/Hyderabad, Visakhapatnam, Howrah, Varanasi, Kochi, Mumbai, Bellary, Madurai, etc. There are also some trains going via Renigunta/Gudur to different places which do not touch Tirupati. Renigunta at a distance of 10 Kms from Tirupati is the most convenient point to alight.

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Rail cum Road & Road cum Rail facility :

Rail cum Road & Road cum Rail Ticket (RCRT) facility is provided for the passengers going to Tirumala Hills and for the passengers leaving from Tirumala Hills. Passengers can surrender the rail cum road tickets at S.V. Bus stand and exchange for bus ticket to go to Tirumala Hills. Likewise passengers can purchase road cum rail tickets and board the bus without surrendering the tickets, in this case tickets can be shown to the bus authorities for reference.

Arrival and Departure Timings of Trains

MG Trains Arrivals

Train No.	Name of the Train	From - To	Arrival at Tirupati
646	Passenger	Pondicherry-Tirupati	03.00
288	Bellary Pass.	Bellary-Tirupati	04.50
6800	Meenakshi Exp.	Madurai-Tirupati	05.30
188	Katpadi Pass.	Katpadi-Tirupati	08-55
7597	Venkatadri Exp.	Guntakal-Tirupati	12.30
158	Katpadi Pass.	Katpadi-Tirupati	11.40
642	Villupuram Pass.	Villupuram-Tirupati	15.15
248	Guntakal Pass.	Guntakal-Tirupati	18.30
192	Katpadi Pass.	Katpadi-Tirupati	20.10

MG Trains Departures

643	Villupuram	Tirupati-Villupuram	03.30
247	Guntakal Pass.	Tirupati-Guntakal	06.00
191	Katpadi Pass.	Tirupati-Katpadi	07.00
157	Katpadi Pass.	Tirupati-Katpadi	10-30
7598	Venkatadri Exp.	Tirupati-Guntakal	13.30
6799	Meenakshi Exp.	Tirupati-Madurai	15.40
187	Katpadi Pass.	Tirupati-Katpadi	17.30
287	Bellary Pass.	Tirupati-Bellary	21.45
641	Pondicherry Pass.	Tirupati-Pondicherry	23.45

B.G. Trains: Arrival

474	Kakinada Pass.	Kakinada-Tirupati	03.30
213	Mysore Pass.	Mysore-Tirupati	04.00

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7488	Tirumala Exp.	Visakhapatnam-Tirupati	06.20
7424	Narayanadri Exp.	Secunderabad-Tirupati	07.35
8439	Puri Express (Saturday only)	Puri-Tirupati	08.30
6057	Sapthagiri Exp.	Chennai-Tirupati	09.20
7429	Rayalaseema Exp.	Hyderabad-Tirupati	09.40
440	Ongole Passenger	Ongole-Tirupati	12.00
7493	Balaji Exp. (Sun/Wed)	Mumbai-Tirupati	12.40
7490	Varanasi to Cochin (Fri)	Varanasi-Cochin	13.15
7489	Cochin to Varanasi (Sun.)	Cochin-Varanasi	13.15
7492	Varanasi Express (Sun/Thu)	Varanasi-Tirupati	13.15
8079	Howrah Express	Howrah-Tirupati	15.15
6053	Tirupati Express	Chennai-Tirupati	16.50
207	Intercity Pass.	Kondapuram-Tirupati	20.15
530	Gudur Pass.	Gudur-Tirupati	20.35
7406	Krishna Exp.	Secunderabad-Tirupati	21.30
195	Arakkonam	Arakkonam-Tirupati	23.15
703	Tirupati Fast Pass.	Chennai-Tirupati	20.00

B.G. Trains Departure

196	Arakkonam Pass.	Tirupati-Arakkonam	04.05
7405	Krishna Exp.	Tirupati-Secunderabad	05.30
208	Intercity Pass.	Tirupati-Kondapuram	06.30
529	Gudur Pass.	Tirupati-Gudur	06.55
8080	Howrah Exp.	Tirupati-Howrah	09.45
6054	Tirupati Exp.	Tirupati-Chennai	10.05
7489	Cochin-Varanasi Exp. (Sun.)	Cochin-Varanasi	13.45
7490	Varanasi-Cochin Exp.	Varanasi-Cochin	13.45
7491	Varanasi Exp. (Mon/Wed)	Tirupati-Varanasi	13.45
439	Ongole Pass.	Tirupati-Ongole	14.15
7430	Rayalaseema Exp.	Tirupati-Hyderabad	15.30
8440	Puri Exp. (Sat)	Tirupati-Puri	15.50
6058	Sapthagiri Exp.	Tirupati-Chennai	17.30
7423	Narayanadri Exp.	Tirupati-Secunderabad	18.30

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7487	Tirumala Exp.	Tirupati-Visakhapatnam	19.00
7494	Balaji Exp.(Thu/Sun)	Tirupati-Mumbai	21.40
214	Mysore Pass.	Tirupati-Mysore	22.00
473	Kakinanda Pass.	Tirupati-Kakinada	23.30
704	Tirupati Fast pass.	Tirupati-Chennai	06.30

TRAIN TIMINGS AT RENIGUNTA

Train No.	Name of the Train	From - To	Tirupati Arri	Dep.
7029	Cochin Hyderabad Exp. (Tues,Fri,Sun)	Cochin-Hyderabad	00.20	00.35
2625	Kerala Express	Trivandrum New Delhi Central	04.15	04.25
2617	Mangala Exp.	Mangalore-Nizamuddian	05.15	05.30
6687	Navyug Exp. (Tue)	Mangalore-Jammu Tavi	09.35	09.45
6017	Himasagar Exp. (Sat)	Trivandrum-Jammutawi	09.35	09.45
6009	Mumbai Mail	Mumbai-Chennai	02.30	03.00
6063	Chennai Exp.	Dadar-Chennai	17.20	17.35
6511	Dadar Express	Dadar-Chennai	13.45	14.00
6010	Mubai Mail	Chennai-Mumbai	01.10	01.30
1082	(Jayanthi) Mumbai Exp.	Kanyakumari-Mumbai	03.55	04.05
6064	Chennai Exp.	Chennai-Mumbai	09.20	09.35
6512	Dadar Exp.	Chennai-Dadar	14.30	14.45
6688	Navayuga (Sun)	Jammutawi-Mangalore	03.40	03.50
2618	Mangala	Nizamuddin-Mangalore	20.40	20.50
6018	Himasagar (Thu)	Jammutawi-Trivandrum Central	03.40	03.50
1081	(Jayanthi) Kanyakumari Exp.	Mumbai-Kanyakumari	16.25	16.40
2626	Kerala Express	New Delhi-Trivandrum	21.55	22.05

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7030	Hyderabad Cochin Exp. (Tue,Fri,Sun)	Hyderabad-Cochin	00.30	00.45

TRAIN TIMINGS AT GUDUR

2615	Grand Trunk Express	Chennai-New Delhi	00.30	00.33
7057	Bilaspur Exp. (Thu,Sun)	Cochin-Bilaspur	01.55	01.57
7081	Cochin Indore Exp. (Tue)	Cochin-Indore	01.55	01.57
5011	Rabbit Sagar Exp. (Wed,Fri, Sat, Mon)	Cochin-Gorakhpur	01.55	01.57
6093	Chennai Lucknow Exp.(Tue,Sat)	Chennai-Lucknow	08.00	08.20
6031	Jammutawi Exp. (Wed,Thu,Sun)	Chennai-Jammu Tawi	08.00	08.20
6046	Navajeevan Exp.	Chennai-Ahmedabad	11.50	12.00
2712	Pinakini Exp.	Chennai-Vijayawada	16.25	16.27
7053	Chennai-Sec'bad Exp.	Chennai-Sec'bad	18.30	18.35
6039	Ganga-Kaveri Exp. (Mon,Sat)	Chennai-Varanasi	19.50	20.00
6043	Patna Express (Tue,Thu)	Chennai-Patna	16.00	16.05
7059	Charminar Exp.	Chennai-Hyderabad	20.35	20.45
6004	Mail	Chennai-Haora	00.50	00.55
7043	Circar Exp.	Chennai-Kakinada Port	21.50	21.55
8690	Express Bokara/ Tatanagar Exp.	Alleppey Bokaro/ Tatanagar	23.50	00.00

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TRAIN TIMINGS AT GUDUR
(Towards Chennai/Kanyakumari)

2616	Grand Trunk (GT) Exp.	New Delhi-Chennai	04.45	04.50
7058	Bilaspur Exp. (Tue. Fri)	Varanasi-Cochin	00.13	00.15
7082	Express (Thu)	Indore-Cochin	00.13	00.15
5012	Rabit Sagar Exp. (Wed,Fri, Sat,Mon)	Gorakhpur-Cochin	00.13	00.15
6094	Lucknow-Chennai Exp. (Tue.Fri)	Lucknow-Chennai	10.00	10.10
6032	Jammu Exp. (Mon,Fri,Tue)	Jammutawi-Chennai	10.00	10.10
6045	Navajeevan Exp.	Ahmedabad-Chennai	14.55	15.00
2711	Pinakini Exp.	Vijayawada-Chennai	10.38	10.40
7054	Secunderabad-Chennai Exp.	Sec'bad-Chennai	03.30	03.35
6040	Ganga-Kaveri Exp. (Mon,Sat)	Varanasi-Chennai	08.20	08.30
6044	Patna Exp. (Fri,Sun)	Patna-Chennai	08.20	08.30
7060	Charminar Exp.	Hyderabad-Chennai	06.40	06.50
6003	Howrah Mail	Howrah-Chennai	02.45	02.50
7044	Circar Exp.	Kakinada Port-Chennai	03.55	04.05
8689	Bokaro Exp.	Tatanagar/ Bokaro Alleppey	02.15	02.20

N.B. The above train timings are subject to change by Railway authorities from time to time.

Road: Tirupati is connected by road to all the major towns and cities of South India. It is:
562 Kms from Hyderabad (via Kurnool, Cuddapah & Kodur)
137 Kms from Chennai (via Red Hills, Uthukkottai, Nagalapuram, Puttur & Renigunta)

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145 Kms from Chennai (via Poonamalli, Tiruvallur, Tiruttani, Nagari & Puttur)
152 Kms from Chennai (via Red Hills, Thada, Sri Kalahasti)
258 Kms from Bangalore (via Kolar & Chittoor)
1261 Kms from Mumbai (via Pune, Belgaum, Dharwar, Harihara, Tumkur, & Bangalore)
2887 Kms from Calcutta (via Cuttack, Visakhapatnam & Vijayawada)

Direct buses to Tirupati are available from almost all important towns of Andhra Pradesh and also from places like Chennai, Coimbatore, Salem, Bangalore, Chitradurga and Pondicherry in a radius of about 600 kms.

Return journey tickets are issued for APSRTC buses plying from Tirupati to Tirumala and back for the convenience of the pilgrims. It is valid for a period of 3 days from the date of issue (Bus Charges : adults - Rs.28-00; children - Rs.14-)

Tirumala: APSRTC is running buses direct from Tirumala to various places like Chennai, Vijayawada, Bangalore, Sriharikota, Madanapalli, Chittoor and Gudur, Tickets can be bought then and there which would be more convenient to the devotees for reaching their home town well in advance for attending to their routine work.

Road: Regular bus service from Tirupati to Tirumala almost every three minutes from 3.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Bus fare – Express: Rs.14-00 per head, Ordinary Rs. 11-00 per head. Admission-controlled by queue system. Link service buses are provided for direct passengers upto 11.00 p.m. every day by APSRTC.

Foot-path : Two Footpaths are there to Tirumala through the seven picturesque hills.

Commonly used: Alipiri (foot of the hills) to Tirumala from Chandragiri side 5 kms. Many climb up these paths as part of their vow and visit the famous shrines on the way.

For the convenience of the pilgrims, the APSRTC. is running a link bus station near Alipiri (Hill View Guest House) and the buses are plying at every 10 minutes. During Brahmotsavams and imp ortant occasions like New Years Day buses will ply on the Ghat road round the clock with the prior approval of the competent authority.

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For the convenience of the devotees APSRTC is providing "As You Like It" tickets for covering the holy tirthas viz. Jabali Theertham, Akasa Ganga and Papavinasanam on the sacred Hills. Charge Rs.8/- per head.

CONTRACT CARRIAGES: For the convenience of the pilgrims coming by tourist buses and for groups of pilgrims APSRTC has provided contract carriages at a rate of Rs.840/- per bus of 45 seating capacity. Advance reservation is also available. The facility of contract services also offered to visit Tiruchanoor, Srinivasa Mangapuram, Srikalahasthi, Renigunta and other surrounding temple towns.

ACCOMMODATION AT TIRUPATI

Free Accommodation

Sri Govindaraja Dharmasala and Sri Kodanda Rama Dharmasala situated on the southern side of the Tirupati East Railway station provide unfurnished accommodation with cooking facilities to pilgrims. Pilgrims on arrival may contact the Superintendent, Central Reception Office at the Dharmasala.

Phone No. 20991

Furnished Accommodation:

Sri Venkateswara Dharmasala, opposite Railway Station.

Service Charges

Single	Double	Four Beds
Rs.50/-	Rs. 100/-	Rs. 100/-

Please contact Superintendent, Phone No.25103.

S.V.Guest House:

On the Northern side of the Railway Station: Rs. 100/- per suite. Please contact Deputy Executive Officer (Reception) Ph.No.25144

Sri Padmavathi Guest House:

(Air-conditioned) Chittoor Road

Double Bed in suite	Single Room	Double Bed in suites	Annexe
Rs.150/- (No.16 & 18) Rs. 250/-	Rs.100/-	(No.11,12,15 &17) Rs. 200/-	21 to 32 each Rs. 150/-

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Please Contact: Dy. Exe. Officer (Reception)
Phone No. 25103, 22029, 27993.

T.T.D. (Alipiri) Guest House:

Per suite : Rs. 75/-
Phone No. 20080.

ACCOMMODATION AT TIRUMALA

The Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams are doing their best to provide the maximum possible facilities to the pilgrims coming to Tirumala. There are several large choultries with free unfurnished rooms for families to stay in reasonable comfort. Electricity and water are free. For free accommodation, the pilgrims may contact the Central Reception Office, near the bus stand. Sheds as well as Dormitory Halls are also provided for the pilgrims to take rest. Paid accommodation will be provided at the Central Reception Office. For paid and furnished accommodation purpose, devotees are requested to contact the Asst. Exe. Officer (Reception-I) T.T.D. Tirumala 30 days in advance by sending a demand draft obtained from any Nationalised Bank for Rs. 100/- in favour of the Executive Officer, TTD, Tirupati along with a letter addressed to the Asst. Exe. Officer (Reception-I) TTD, Tirumala-517 504.

Furnished accommodation is available for service charges per day as detailed below:

Advance reservation can also be made at a few TTD Information centres 30 days in advance by paying the requisite amount. They are Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Pondicherry and Visakhapatnam.

SRI PADMAVATHI GUEST HOUSE AREA

	Amount
AMPRO Guest House	
Big Suits - 2 each	Rs. 1000-00
Small Suite - 1	Rs. 500-00
Bala Kuteeram (6 suites) each	Rs. 500-00
Godavari Sadan (3 Rooms) each	Rs. 500-00
Gumble Guest House (4 suites) each	Rs. 250-00
Gokulam Guest House (4 Rooms) each	Rs. 1000-00
H.R.G. A & B Portions	Rs. 400-00
Hari Sadan Guest House A/C (Suite No. 1 to 7) each	Rs. 1000-00

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Hill View Guest Houses (Big suites)	Rs. 100-00
Hill View Guest Houses (Small suites)	Rs. 50-00
Hill View Deluxe Cottages	Rs. 100-00
Indira Guest House (4 suites) each	Rs. 500-00
Jagannadha Bhavan (4 suites) each	Rs. 500-00
Modi Bhavan (8 Rooms) each	Rs. 250-00
Narayanagiri Guest House-I	Rs. 100-00
Corner suite	Rs. 150-00
Narayana Giri Guest House-II	Rs. 100-00
Corner suite	Rs. 150-00
Narayana Giri Guest House-III	Rs. 100-00
Corner suite	Rs. 150-00
Narayanagiri Cottages (17 Suites) each	Rs. 400-00
Ram Bagicha Guest House - I	Rs. 100-00
Ram Bagicha Guest House - II	Rs. 100-00
Ram Bagicha Guest House - III	Rs. 100-00
S.P.Guest House (Main)	
(Master suites) 2 each	Rs. 1500-00
(Other 7 suites) each	Rs. 500-00
Sri Lakshmi Nilayam (3 suites) each	Rs. 500-00
Sri Niketan (3 Rooms) each	Rs. 1000-00
Srinivasa Nilayam (5 rooms) each	Rs. 500-00
Santi Sadan (7 suites) each	Rs. 500-00
Special Type Cottages	Rs. 400-00
S.V. Guest House	Rs. 100-00
(Corner Suites)	Rs. 150-00
Srivari Kuteer Guest House A/C	Rs. 2000-00
(Suite No. 1 to 4 entire Guest House)	
Surapuram Thota Cottages	Rs. 250-00
Seshadri Nagar Guest House	Rs. 100-00
Vidya Sadan Master suite (1 suite)	Rs. 1500-00
Other suites (4 suites) each	Rs. 500-00
Varahaswamy Guest House	Rs. 100-00
T.B. COTTAGES :	
(2 suites) each	Rs. 150-00
Single Rooms	Rs. 30-00
Outside cottages	Rs. 75-00

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Special Type Cottages in T.B.C.	
Cottage Nos. 61 A, B (Inside cottages)	Rs. 400-00
57, 58, 60 A,B	
62 A, B	Rs. 400-00
64 A, B	Rs. 400-00
65 A, B	Rs. 400-00
66, 67, 69 A, B	Rs. 400-00
Mangala Bavi Cottages (M.B.C)	Rs. 75-00
(2 suites) each	Rs. 150-00
Full Cottage No. 31 A,B,31 C,D	Rs. 150-00
Valley View Cottages (V.V.C)	Rs. 75-00
(3 suites) each - 44 AB, 47 AB & 50 AB	Rs. 150-00
Alwar Tank Cottages (A.T.C)	Rs. 50-00
A.T.C. Single Rooms each	Rs. 30-00
Anjanadri Nagar Cottages (A.N.C)	Rs. 15-00
Garudadri Nagar Cottages (G.N.C)	Rs. 15-00
Sanku Mitta Cottages (S.M.C)	Rs. 15-00
Seshadri Nagar Cottages (S.N.C)	Rs. 15-00
Hill View Cottages (Ordinary)	Rs. 15-00

MARRIAGE COTTAGES AND KALYANAMANDAPAMS:

A.T.C. No. 99	Rs. 100-00
T.B.C : 71 AB, 136, 152 A,B each portion	Rs. 100-00
S.M.C : 226 A,B, 237 A,B, 248 A,B, 260 A,B, 269, 272 each portion	Rs. 100-00
S.R.M. Kalyanamandapam	Rs. 1000-00

(Timings: 3.00 p.m to 3.00 p.m) one day only

Conditions:

* Day means 24 hours from the time of allotment.
* Alternate accommodation will be provided if the accommodation required is not available. Excess amount from the service charges paid for one category of accommodation, but adjusted towards the alternate accommodation provided, will be refunded.
* Reservation will be made for one day only. If the party does not turn up, the reservation will be cancelled and the reservation charges paid will neither be refunded nor adjusted for the subsequent period.
* During peak season reservation will be restricted to one day only.

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* Three times of the normal rent will be charged as penalty in case the occupant continues to stay beyond the time specified.
* The scheduled amounts and the timings mentioned in this booklet are subject to alteration.

DO'S & DON'TS

DO'S

* Do obeisance to your Ishta or Kula Daivam before you start for Tirumala.
* Do book your travel and accommodation at Tirumala in advance.
* Do bathe in the Pushkarini and worship Varaha Swamy in His Temple before you go to worship Lord Venkateswara.
* Do bathe and wear clean clothes before you enter the shrine.
* Do concentrate on Lord Venkateswara inside the temple.
* Do observe absolute silence and recite 'Om Sri Venkatesaya Namah' to yourself, inside the temple.
* Do bathe in the Papavinasanam and Akasa Ganga Theerthams near Tirumala.
* Do respect ancient customs and usages while at Tirumala.
* Do respect and promote religious sentiments among co-pilgrims.
* Do deposit your offerings in the Hundi only.
* Do contact any of the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Enquiry office for information regarding the temple and your worship there.

DON'TS

* Don't carry much jewellery or cash with you.
* Don't eat non-vegetarian food.
* Don't consume liquor or other intoxicants.

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* Don't approach strangers for accommodation.
* Don't wear footwear in and around the premises of the temple.
* Don't approach touts and dalalis for quick Darsan.
* Don't prostrate (sastanga danda pramanam) inside the temple.
* Don't buy spurious prasadams from street vendors.
* Don't come to Tirumala for any purpose other than worshipping the Lord.
* Don't rush in for Darsan but take your chance in the queue.
* Don't enter the temple, if, according to custom or usage, you are prohibited to enter.
* Don't wear flowers at Tirumala, all flowers are for the Lord only.
* Don't encourage beggary.
* Don't spit or commit nuisance in the premises of the temple.

ENDOWMENTS SCHEMES

The donors who have contributed Rs. 1 lakh and Rs. 5 lakhs and above for S.V.Nithya Laddu Dana Scheme and S.V. Nithya Annadana Scheme respectively will be presented with one set of gold gilded silver coins.

SRI VENKATESWARA NITHYA LADDU DANA SCHEME

A prasadam of 25 gms. of laddu (not less than 25,000 Nos.) will be distributed in the name of the donor on a fixed date of his choice. The amount of endowment is Rs. 1 lakh.

The donor will be provided with the following facilities.

SRI VENKATESWARA NITYA LADDU DANA ENDOWMENT SCHEME AT Rs. ONE LAKH

(a) The donor and his family will be given V.I.P accommodation at Tirumala for one day in a year free of cost.
(b) The donor and his family (not exceeding 5 persons) will be admitted for free darshan on the day of distribution of Laddus.

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be admitted for free darshan on the day of distribution of Laddus.

(c) The name and the gotram of the donor will be read out at "Koluvu" in Srivari Temple, Tirumala in the morning of the specified day of distribution.

(d) The donor will be given one Vastram as Bahumanam.

(e) The donor will be given 6 Laddus and 6 Vadas as Prasadam.

(f) The donor or his representative can be present on the day of distribution. If nobody is present at the distribution of Laddu on the day, the donor will be intimated along with the Srivari Maha Prasadam packets.

UDAYASTHAMANA SARVA SEVA SCHEME

Under this seva scheme all rituals and sevas to Lord Venkateswara will be performed on behalf of the Grihastha on a fixed day of his choice. The donation offered is Rs. 1 lakh. If the seva is to be performed on Friday the endowment deposit would be Rs. 3 lakhs.

(a) The donor and his family will be given V.I.P. accommodation at Tirumala for three days in a year free of cost.

(b) The donor and his family (not exceeding six persons) will be admitted for all sevas including arjitha sevas on the notified day.

(c) One Sesha Vasthram offered to the Utsava Murthies at Srivari Kalyanotsavam will be presented.

(d) 25 Laddus and 5 Vadas will be given.

BALAJI ARCHANA SCHEME :

Under this scheme Archana will be performed to the Lord in donor's name on any specified day of his choice every year for a period of 10 years.

The donor should make an endowment of Rs. 6,000/- to the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams. If the date falls on Friday in any year the donor will be permitted for the next day.

1. The donor will be provided with free accommodation for 24 hrs. only.
2. Three persons will be allowed for Archana Seva.
3. Three persons will be allowed for Suprabhata Seva and Special Darsan.

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SRI VENKATESWARA NITHYA PRASADA DANA ENDOWMENT SCHEME

Under this scheme one can make an endowment of Rs. 500/- for the distribution of 10 laddus or 10 vadas to pilgrims on a fixed day of one's choice - Birth day, Wedding Anniversary, Sraddham to name a few. Consequent on the introduction of S.V.Nitya Annadana Scheme the distribution of food packets has been discontinued.

The donor can make multiples of Rs. 500/- as endowment. And if the amount is Rs. 10,000/- (20 endowments) the T.T.D. will arrange darshan for 5 persons of the donor's family.

SRI VENKATESWARA NITHYA ANNADANA SCHEME

TTD has envisaged this scheme aimed at providing free full meals to the devotees at Tirumala.

A donor can make an endowment of Rs. 5 lakhs or 10 lakhs or Rs. 1,000 individually thereof to the T.T.Devasthanams. And the Devasthanams will contribute an equal amount towards matching investment and deposit the entire amount in a Nationalised Bank to feed over 15,000 pilgrims every day on the interest earned.

Donation can be by individuals, firms, companies etc., and they are eligible for exemption of Income Tax Under Section 80 (g) of I.T. Act.

In respect of donations of Rs.5 lakhs and above, the donor's name will be displayed prominently in the dining hall. The donor's name will be read in Srivari Koluvu every morning before the Lord by rotation. Donors who pay Rs.5 lakhs and above will be extended the following facilities.

1. V.I.P accommodation at Tirumala for 3 days in a year at free of cost.
2. Free Special Darshan for 3 days in a year for 5 persons during-break time with Harathi. The arrival of the donors at Tirumala should be intimated to the Deputy Executive Officer (Annadanam Trust) one month in advance.

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Many philanthropists had already donated Rs. 5 lakhs and above for this pious cause. The T.T.Devasthanams appeal to all philanthropists to send their donations for the scheme to the Executive Officer, T.T.Devasthanams, Tirupati.

SRI BALAJI INSTITUTE OF SURGERY, RESEARCH AND REHABILITATION FOR THE DISABLED (B.I.R.R.D)SCHEME

Sri Balaji Institute of Surgery, Research and Rehabilitation for the Disabled (B.I.R.R.D) is a premier medical centre for the treatment of Orthopaedically Disabled. It was established with a view to providing succour to the suffering mankind. The BIRRD provides the most effective treatment for spinal injuries, congenital anomalies, orthopaedic disabilities etc. with the aid of advanced medical Technology to the poor absolutely free.

A centrally air-conditioned hospital with the latest medical equipment is entirely built by T.T. Devasthanams at a cost of 11 crores. It also distributes artificial limbs and aids free of cost to the needy and poor, In this regard, T.T. Devasthanams, earnestly solicits donations from philanthrophists and voluntary organisations throughout the world. Donations may be sent by way of Demand Drafts drawn in favour of "The Executive Officer, T.T.Devasthanams, Tirupati - 517 501, A.P.

COTTAGE DONATION SCHEME

In order to provide accommodation to the pilgrims whose number goes up every year, the T.T. Devasthanams are constructing cottages, guest houses and choultries at Tirumala. In response to the request of many philanthropic devotees who would like to participate in the noble cause of providing shelter to the pilgrims T.T. Devasthanams have launched a donation scheme for constructing cottages, guest houses etc. The following are the various categories of construction proposed by TTDs under the donation scheme.

Cottages

1. First Floor on Garudadri Nagar cottages at Tirumala. Donation Rs. 2,25,000/- (C & D Portions). Plinth area of each first floor 82 Sqm (883 Sft.). Each cottage consists of 2 portions. In each portion 2 bed rooms each with size of 4.30 X 3.02 M (14' X 10') with attached baths and toilets.

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Guest Houses :

Sapthagiri Satramulu Block No.5 Alakananda furnished suites. Donation for each suite : Rs.1,50,000/-

Location:

Adjacent to Filter House, Tirumala. Size of each room 3.55 X 6.24 M (11'7" X 20'- 6") . Total carpet area of each room: 31.81 Sqm (342 sft.) Completion of the work: one year.

Facilities:

Furnished suites with bath rooms and toilets.

Special Type Cottage at Surapuram Thota at Tirumala

Donation for each floor: Rs. 5 Lakhs

Location: North-East corner of the Temple.

Description of the Building: Three Floors, each covering an area of 1110 Sft. (103 Sqm.) with Dining Rooms (3.66 X 3.66) and two bedrooms (3.66 X 4.27 M)

Facilities:

Car parking facility in each area sit-out verandah, bath-rooms and toilets are provided in bed rooms.

Procedure:

The donor can send an application, on plain paper specifying the category of cottage addressed to the Executive Officer, T.T. Devasthanams, K.T. Road, Tirupati 517 501 along with a Demand Draft for the full amount of Cottage/Suites/Tenements in favour of "The Executive Officer" on any Nationalised Bank payable at Tirupati.

The donation can be made either by individual/firms/companies/joint donor also. The cottages/suites and tenements will be allotted to the donors in seriatum.

Facilities to the Donor:

The donor can stay for 60 days in a calender year, not exceeding 10 days at a time, by payment of service charges only. This special privilege is extended to the individual donor throughout his life time and to the spouse and also to their heir.

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In case of joint names/firms/companies/trust the privilege of stay will be limited to 20 years only.

A tablet with donor's name and place, also mentioning in whose memory the donation was made, will be prominently displayed in front of the cottages donated.

The Donations made for construction of Cottage/Guest Houses is not entitled for any Income Tax exemption.

SRI VENKATESWARA VANABHIVRIDDI SCHEME

Sacred forests of Tirumala are the precious gift of Lord Sri Venkateswara to mankind. With a view to maintaining its unique but delicate ecological condition, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams have introduced a series of exciting schemes called **Sri Venkateswara Vanabhivriddi Schemes.** The Schemes seek to provide a rare opportunity to the public for participation in a massive afforestation project implemented by the Forest Department of T.T. Devasthanams. The salient features of Sri Venkateswara Vanabhivriddi Schemes are:

Vriksha Samvardhanam

* Under this Scheme, about 500 plants will be planted at Tirumala.
* Plantation will be named after the donor or person of his choice.
* Plants will be maintained for 5 years.
* 100% Income Tax exemption for the donations.

Donation: Rs. 25,000/-

Vriksha Prasadam:

The Scheme is proposed for raising 100 fruit and flowering seedlings every year on the sacred seven hills.

Benefits:

* Distribution of one hundred seedlings. both fruit bearing and flowering in the donor's name every year.
* Distribution of seedlings for 10 years.
* 100% Income-Tax exemption for the amount offered.
* **Donation: Rs. 15,000/-**

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Smaraka Vanalu

Under this scheme 100 saplings of selected species will be planted in a grove on sacred seven hills of Lord and maintained for five years.

Benefits:

* The grove will be named after the donor.
* Maintenance of trees for 5 years.
* Income-Tax exemption for the entire amount.
* **Donation: Rs. 5,000/-**

Vana Samrakshana Bhagaswamyam

It is proposed to protect and improve the sacred forest cover on the seven hills.

Benefits:

* Display of the donor's name
* 100% Income-Tax exemption.
* **Donation: Rs. 2,000/-**

Note:- Please send your donations by Demand Draft to the Executive Officer, T.T.D., Tirupati - 517 501.

GENERAL FACILITIES AT TIRUMALA

Facilities to Pilgrims Walking up the Hills

Many pilgrims walk up the hills as a part of their vow to the Lord. The T.T.Ds. provide the following facilities to them.

* Transportation of luggage free of charge to Tirumala. The pilgrim can deposit their luggage at any of the choultries in Tirupati, or at the Toll Gate at Alipiri, against a token and take delivery of the luggage at the Central Reception Office counter at Tirumala.
* Provision for cooking at Galigopuram, Chittiyekkudu, Mamanduru Mitta, Narasimhaswami Temple, Mokallamitta and other places.
* Availability of drinking water all along the foot-path.
* Availability of toilets.
* Provision of sunshade at important points for taking rest.

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* Arrangements for patrol by Security Guards, Gurkhas and the police all along the road throughout day and night to prevent unwary pilgrims from being cheated or robbed by unscrupulous elements.
* Relay of religious programmes through local broadcasting system.

Facilities to Pilgrims in the Queue Halls:

The Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams have made several innovations in the daily seva timings in the Tirumala Temple to reduce the waiting time of the pilgrims in the queue halls. At the same time the following facilities are offered to the pilgrims so as to make their waiting less-tedious.

* Hygienic, airy, large queue halls provided with overhead fans.
* Catering inside the halls by TTD canteen, Tirumala.
* Sale of food packets at reasonable prices.
* Sale of pure milk by the Andhra Pradesh Dairy Development Corporation.
* First Aid.
* Sale of Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Pictures, Calendars other Publications.
* Toilet rooms even in the queue halls.
* Closed Circuit T.V. Programmes.
* Relay of devotional programmes, music etc.
* Cloakroom facilities near Vaikuntam Queue Complex so that pilgrims may not have to carry the luggage with them all along the queue.
* Free shoe-keeping centres at the entrance to the queue halls.
* An officer posted at the entrance to the temple (Mahadwaram) to prevent malpractice by dalalis, touts and employees and to receive and attend to complaints.
* An Officer to look after the comforts and facilities of the pilgrims in the Vaikuntam Queue Complex.

Other Facilities

* STD/ISTD booths are functioning round the clock for the convenience of the devotees in different places at Tirumala (with subsidised rate in between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. and beyond 10 p.m.).

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* The T.T.D. has provided 4 big marriage halls with modern cooking facilities like gas, oven etc. at Srinivasa Kalyana Mandapam, Tiruchanoor Road, Tirupati with moderate service charges. The Allotment would be from 3 p.m. to 3 p.m.
* There are three more marriage halls at Padmavathi Kalyana Mandapam opposite Srinivasa Kalyanamandapams. Which provide the some facilities.

Canteen Complex

TTDs Sri Venkateswara Guest House Canteen Complex with most modern amenities provides wholesome food at moderate rates.

Free Meals

The Wholesome free full meals will be provided to the devotees in the T.T.D. Canteen Complex from 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m. continuously on production of free meals coupons distributed inside the Temple after worshipping the Lord.

Free Medical Aid

Pilgrims are given free medical aid at Aswini hospital near Seshadri Nagar.

Post and Telegraphs

There is a post and telegraphs office near the Central Reception Office with all the facilities including telegraph.

Free bus

Free buses are operated in Tirumala in prescribed timings for the benifit of pilgrims covering cottages, choultries, temples and other places.

Air Lines Coach

APSRTC runs Luxury Coach Services for the convenience of air passengers from the airport to Tirumala and back.

Sale of Gold and Silver Dollars

Gold and Silver Dollars with the images of Lord Venkateswara and Goddess Padmavathi are available for sale

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at the Counter inside the Temple near Vimana Venkateswara Swamy and TTD Administration Buildings, Tirupati.

Kalyanakatta

Pilgrims can fulfil their vow of tonsure at Kalyanakatta opposite S.V. canteens complex Facilities for tonsuring are also available at Cottages. Please do not pay any amount to barbers. The tariff at Kalyanakatta Rs.2/-; at Cottages Rs.10/-.

Sale of Publications

All religious books published by the Devasthanams are available in TTDs publication stalls at RTC busstand at Tirumala and also at the following places at Tirupati viz., Fist New Choultry Dhyanamandiram near Sri Govindarajaswamy Temple.. and Railway station.

Railway Booking Office

This Booking Office located at the Central Reception Office, will issue tickets including reservation tickets for Bus-cum-Train Journey.

Automobile Clinic

A mobile van with mechanics and spares is available to attend to the repairs of the vehicles standed on the ghat roads. The Toll Gates either at Tirupati or at Tirumala may be contacted.

Purohit Sangham

In order to enable pilgrims to conduct Vedic rituals at Tirumala, the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams have organised a Purohit Sangham comprising Purohits with the necessary learning and experience to perform these rituals. Fees for such services are fixed by the Devasthanams.

Devotees desirous of performing sankalpam, namakarana, chaulam, upanayanam, marriage, pinda prasadam and other vedic rituals may approach the Purohit Sangham with the assistance of any of the TTDs Enquiry counters at C.R.O. Vaikuntham 'Q' complex and opposite Sri Vari Temple.

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PAID SEVAS

Guidelines to Grihasthas:

The Grihasthas who perform Seva/Utsavam shall have to wear dhoti and upper cloth (uttariyam).

They should enter Vaikuntam Queue Complex well in advance and there is no direct entry from mahadwaram.

The Anna-Prasadams, Dadhyodhanam, Pulihora etc., will be given to the extent of the requirement of the grihasthas. The rest of the Anna-Prasadams due to them, with their consent, will be freely distributed to the pilgrims.

The Grihasthas who desire to perform any Seva/Utsavam are advised to draw the D.D. for prescribed amount in favour of Executive Officer, T.T.D. and send it to the Peishkar, Sri T.T., Tirumala for early confirmation of the Seva-Utsavam at least 60 days in advance.

The Grihastha can also pay the amount at the Vijaya Bank, Tirumala Branch, one day in advance. In such a case the date of Seva/Utsavam noted on the Challan will be the date of performance, subject to availability of Seva Tickets.

The procedure for receiving Prasadams:

In case the payment is made at the Vijaya Bank, there will be an indication in regard to Prasadams in the Bank Challan itself. One copy of that challan should be presented either at Anna-prasadam free counter or at the Vagapadi (panyarams sales counter of the temple) for receipt of the Prasadams.

In case the payment is made by D.D. the Grihastha shall have to surrender the communication (Takeedu) at Vagapadi for receipt of Panyarams and at Anna-prasadam free distribution counter for receipt of Anna-Prasadams.

For the Information of the Grihasthas:

There will be no Kalyanotsavams, Vahana Sevas, Unjal Sevas (inside the temple) on the following festival occasions every year:

1. Anivara Asthanam day - July (In the month of Ashadha) - One Day.

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2. Pushpayagam - October/November - One Day.
3. Vasanthotsavam (Annual) - Three Days.
4. Brahmotsavams (Annual) - September/October (On all 10 days -In the month of Karthika).
5. December, 31 to 2nd January due to New Year's Day Darshan (subject to alteration by the Executive Officer).
6. Pavithrotsavam - August - Three days.
7. Ugadi Asthanam
8. Makara Sankranthi.

DAILY SEVAS

1. Suprabhatham is recited at 3.00 a.m. by a team of Veda-parayanamdars. Rs. 100/- ticket holders are admitted. Due to insufficient space the issue of tickets is restricted to 200. Tickets will be issued at the Vijaya Bank, Tirumala one day in advance. The same can be confirmed by the Arjitham Officer by way of sending Demand Draft in advance.

2. Thomala Seva is done for 45 minutes from 3.45 a.m. to 4.30 a.m. Rs.200/- (each person) ticket holders are admitted to witness the Seva through Vaikuntam Complex. These tickets are issued at the Vijaya Bank one day in advance. Tickets are also being confirmed through Takeed to the devotees who send demand drafts from their places.

3. Archana is done from 4.30 a.m. to 5.30 a.m. Rs.200/- (each person) ticket holders are admitted to witness the Seva through Vaikuntam Complex. These tickets are issued by the Vijaya Bank one day in advance. Tickets are also being confirmed by Arjitham office on sending demand drafts from their places.

Note:- Items 2 & 3 will be done together on Fridays between 6.30 a.m. and 8 a.m. on payment of Rs.400 per head. Amanthranotsavam ticket holders of Rs.600/- are also admitted.

Archananantara Darsanam Fee Rs.100/- per head, Time: 5 a.m. except on Fridays. No advance booking, only current booking in Vijaya Bank.

4. Amanthranotsavam (Thomala Seva & Archana) Rate of the Seva is Rs.600/- and one person for Thomala Seva and one person for Archana are allowed through Vaikuntam Complex. The

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Grihastha is given 1/16 Sola Pongal Prasadam. Confirmation of Seva is done by Arjitham Office on sending demand drafts by the Grihasthas. Tickets are issued at Vijaya Bank one day in advance subject to availability.

5. Ekantha Seva Fee Rs. 100/- per head. Soon after night Sarvadarsanam is completed, Ekantha Seva takes place. Ekantha Seva tickets will be issued at the Vijaya Bank on first cum first serve basis and ticket holders are allowed through Vaikuntam queue complex. No advance reservation for Ekantha Seva tickets.

6. Kalyanotsavam There are two types of Kalyanotsavam. Kalyanotsavam is celebrated everyday at Kalyana mandapam except during Brahmotsavam and on some festive occassions.

Payment : Rs. 2,500/- Time ... 10.00 a.m.
Persons allowed : 5

Prasadam : 5 Laddus (Big), 5 Vadas, 5 Appams, 5 Dosas, Dadhyodanam, Pulihora, Chakkera Pongal and Pongal (1/16th Sola each).

Bahumanam : Vastra Bahumanam (one silk uttariyam and Blouse Piece).

Pratyeka Kalyanotsavam is performed with usual rites and ceremonies.

Payment .... Rs. 750/- Time ... 10.00 a.m.
Persons allowed.... Two

Prasadam : One Laddu (Big), and 1 Vada.

Bahumanam : Uttariyam and Blouse Piece.

Rs. 750/- Kalyanotsavams are confirmed on the dates chosen by the Grihasthas on sending Demand Drafts at least 60 days in advance under advance booking also. Grihasta can also purchase Kalyanotsavam Seva Tickets at Vijaya Bank, Tirumala on payment of cash one day in advance under current booking after 8.00 a.m. on the previous day.

Rs. 2,500/- Kalyanotsavam can be performed on acceptance of amount one day in advance also on the days of performance of Kalyanotsavam. (Before the commencement of Kalyanotsavam at 10.00 a.m.).

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7. Brahmotsavam is performed for one day in an abridged manner within the temple precincts. Sri Malayappa Swamy (Utsava Murti) with His two consorts is worshipped in the Kalyana Mandapam with Vedic Mantras and rituals and mounted on three Vahanams. This is done after the performance of Kalyanotsavam.

Arjitha Brahmotsavam

Vahana Sevas provided : 1) Pedda Sesha Vahanam (Gold) (2) Silver Garuda Vahanam (3) Silver Hanumantha Vahanam.
Persons allowed .... Five
Performance : On any day after 1 p.m.
Bahumanam : One Uttariyam.
Grihasthas should go through vaikuntam complex well in advance.

8. Dolotsavam (Unjal Seva): Sri Malayappaswami (Utsava Murthi) together with Bhudevi and Sridevi is seated on a cradle (Unjal) at Aina Mahal (Mirror Hall) and swung to the accompaniment of Vedaparayanam and Mangala Vadyam.

Payment .... Rs. 750/-
Persons allowed.... Six

Performance : On all days at about 1.30 p.m.

Bahumanam : One Sesha Vasthram and Blouse Piece.

Note:-

The above sevas are performed daily to the Lord. The Sevas mentioned from 1 to 5 are done to the main deity and the remaining to the Utsavarlu.

9. Vasanthotsavam:

Payment Rs.3000/-
Time .... 2 p.m.
Persons allowed.... Ten

Bahumanam : Vastrams, Vadas, Dadhyodanams, Pulihora, Pongal, Chakkara Pongal.

Sarvadarsanam:

is provided from 6 a.m. to 11 a.m.; 12 noon to 7.00 p.m. and from 8.00 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. or till the Sarvadarsanam line is

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closed on all days except on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On leave days about 14 hours are allotted for Sarvadarsanam and on peak days, it will be 18 to 20 hours even.

WEEKLY SEVAS

MONDAYS

Visesha Pooja

Payment : Rs. 3,000/-

Persons allowed : Five

Bahumanam : Vastram, 5 Big Laddus, 5 Vadas

TUESDAY

ASHTADALA PADA PADMARADHANAMU (II Archana with 108 Golden Lotus Flowers) is performed for 15 minutes.

Payment : Rs. 3,500/-

Persons Allowed : Five

Bahumanam : 10 Big Laddus, 10 Vadas and Vasthra Bahumanam.

Time: 6.30 a.m.

It is introduced in commemoration of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations of T.T. Devasthanams.

WEDNESDAY

SAHASRAKALASABHISHEKAM : This is a special Arjitha function performed by devotees for their material and spiritual well-being. It takes place at about 5.30 a.m.

Payment : Rs. 5,000/-

Persons Allowed : Six

Prasadams : 7 Big Laddus, 7 Vadas, 7 Appams, 5 Dosa, Dadhyodanam, Pulihora, Pongal, Chakkera Pongal and Payasam.

Bahumanam : Vastram

Note:- After the Second Bell (Second Nivedana) Sarvadarsanam starts at 8.00 a.m. instead of at 6.00 a.m. and will be continued till 7.00 p.m. and again starts from 8.00 p.m. and continued

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till the close of Sarvadarsanam line. On an average the total number of hours set apart for Sarvadarsanam on Wednesdays is 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours and it goes upto 18 hours on peak days.

THURSDAY

TIRUPPAVADA SEVA Consists of cooking a large quantity of rice as Pulihora and offering it to the Lord along with other sweet preparations. It is performed to the Lord at 5.30 a.m.

Payment : Rs. 5,000/-

Persons Allowed : Six

Performance : 5.30 a.m.

Prasadams : 7 Big Laddus, 7 Vadas, 5 Jilebi, Appam, Dosa, Tentola, Pulihora, Chakkera Pongal, Pongal, Payasam.

Bahumanam : Vastram

Note:- Kainkaryams will take place between 6 a.m. and 8.00 a.m. with II Bell, (II Nivedana) etc. Sarvadarsanam on that day starts at 8.00 a.m. and will be continued upto 6 p.m. Maha Suddhi and Poolangi Samarpana take place between 6.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. and Poolangi Sarvadarsanam starts at 8.00 p.m. and continued till Sarvadarsanam line is closed. On an average 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours on lean days and 16 hours on peak days, are set apart for Sarvadarsanam.

Netra Darsanam of the Presiding Deity (Mooolavarlu) is important on this day.

FRIDAY

ABHISHEKAM to the Main Deity takes place for 1$\frac{1}{2}$ hours from 3.30 a.m. for which ticket holders of Rs.750/-, Rs.300/- and Rs.150/- (for each person) are admitted. Only a limited number of tickets are issued for Abhishekam. On that day Thomala Seva and Archana take place from 7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. for which Amanthranotsavam ticket holders of Rs.600/- are also allowed. Sarvadarsanam starts at 9.00 a.m. and will be continued till 9.00 p.m. and again Sarvadarsanm starts at 10.00 p.m. and will be continued till the entire queue is cleared. The duration of Sarvadarsanam on this day will be 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours, on lean days and 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours on peak days.

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Poorabhishekam

Payment : Rs. 750/-

Persons Allowed : One

Prasadams : Two Vadas and Two Laddus (Small).

Civet Vessel

Payment : Rs. 300/-

Persons Allowed : One

Prasadams : One Vada and One Laddu (Small).

Musk Vessel (Kasturi Vessel)

Payment : Rs. 150/-

Persons Allowed : One

Prasadams : One Vada and One Laddu (Small).

Nija Pada Darsanam

Payment : Rs. 100/-

Persons Allowed : One

Time : 5.30 a.m. on Fridays only

Note:- Reservation for Abhishekam will be accepted more than one year in advance subject to availability of tickets.

Vastralankara Seva:

Melchat & Uttareeyam set presentation to Moolavirat (on Fridays only)

Payment : Rs.12,250/-

Time : 3.30 a.m.

Persons Allowed : Wife and Husband will be allowed for Abhishekam.

Bahumanam : Seshavastram, Two Laddu and Two Vadas.

Sahasra Deepalankara Seva

This seva is performed in Koluvu Mandapam every day. Though this is a Circar Seva, Grihasthas can also participate. The utsava murthi with full ornaments is seated on a gaily

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decorated Unjal along with His consorts. Devotees rejoice at the sight of their Lord in different moods and in different Alankaras.

Payment : Rs.500/-

Persons Allowed :Five

Performance : Everyday after 5.30 p.m.

Bahumanam : Vastram

Periodical Sevas

Koil Alwar Thirumanjanam is a purificatory function performed in the sanctum and the entire temple premises.

Payment : Rs.3000/-

Persons Allowed :Ten

Time : 11.00 a.m.

Prasadams : 15 Laddus, 15 Vada, 10 Appam, 10 Dosas, Dadhyodanam, Pulihora, Chakkara Pongal and Pongal (1/16 Sola Each).

Bahumanam : One Uttariyam

Note:- This will be done four times in a year i.e., before Ugadi, Anivara Asthanam, Annual Brahmotsavam and Vaikunta Ekadasi. This will usually take place on Tuesdays only.

Vasanthotsavam

A three-day festival conducted in the month of Chaitra. It will also be performed every day except on Thursdays and Fridays.

Payment : Rs.3000/- per day.

Persons Allowed : Ten

Time : 2.00 p.m.

Prasadams : 20 Dosas, 6 Vadas and other Anna-Prasadams.

Bahumanam :One Uttariyam

Pavitrotsavam

Essentially a purificatory ceremony and its object is to expiate the sins of commission and omission arising in the daily worship and other religious rites performed in the temple. This

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function is elaborately performed in August.

Payment : Rs.7,500/- per day.

Persons Allowed : Five Persons will be allowed during functions, two persons for Thomala Seva and Archana for one day as per the convenience of the Temple authorities.

2nd Day : 30 Dosas, Pongal Prasadam

3nd Day : 30 Dosas, Pongal Prasadam and Vastram.

Pushpayagam

This is the worship of the Lord with a variety of sweet and fragrant flowers. It is conducted on Sravana Nakshatram day after Brahmotsavam.

Payment : Rs.3,500/-.

Time : 6.00 a.m.

Persons Allowed : Five

Bahumanam : Vastram, One Dupta, One Big Laddu, One Vada.

Float Festival

This festival will be performed once in a year in February - March for 5 days, Five persons will be allowed.

Payment : Rs.2,500/- per day.

Time : 6.00 p.m.

Persons Allowed : Five

Bahumanam : One upper Cloth, One Blouse piece.

Abhidheyaka Abhishekam

This will be performed three days in a year generally in the month of June every year.

Payment : Rs.2,000/- per day.

Time : 8.00 a.m.

Persons Allowed : Five

Bahumanam :Upper Cloth, Blouse Piece, One Laddu, One Vada.

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Padmavathi Parinayam

This is an important seva performed for three days in the month of May (Vaisakha) during 'Sukla Navami Dasami' and Ekadasi.

Payment : Rs.5,000/- per day.

Time : 3.00 p.m.

Persons Allowed : Five

Bahumanam : Silk Vastram, Blouse and Prasadasm: 5 Big Laddus, 5 Vadas.

Laddu Padi

Arjitham Big Laddu Padi :Payment Rs.2,500/-

Small Laddu Padi :Payment Rs.750/-

Persons Allowed : Five persons will be allowed for Srivari Darshanam. 30 Laddus will be given after Darshan.

Mini Laddu Padi

Payment : Rs.250/-

Persons Allowed : Two Persons will be allowed for darsan. 10 Laddus will be issued after darshan. No Laddu Sevas on Saturdays and Sundays.

No Advance booking, Current Booking in Vijaya Bank, Tirumala. The Issue of tickets is subject to availability. Admission during Sarva Darsanam timings only.

Pushpa Pallaki

This Seva is performed on Anivara Asthanam Day in the month of July.

Payment : Rs.1,000/- per day.

Time : 5.30 p.m.

Persons Allowed : Five

Bahumanam :Upper Cloth, Blouse Piece, One Laddu, One Vada.

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Kalyanotsavam

At Srinivasa Mangapuram, Narayanavanam and Nagalapuram.

Payment : Rs.300/- per day.

Performance : Daily

Time : Between 10.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m.

SALE OF TEMPLE PRASADAMS

The entire quantity of the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Anna-Prasadams (Pulihora), Chitrannam, Sweet Pongal, Pongal and Curd rice is distributed free to all pilgrims after darsan.

Panyarams (Laddus) are sold on all days to pilgrims in the counter outside the temple. Tokens for Laddus can be obtained from bank counters erected in the Queue line for Laddus.

Pilgrims are informed that genuine Devasthanams Prasadams are sold only at these places.

The present prices at which padula prasadams are sold are:

Laddu : Rs.4/- each
Vada : Rs.4/- each

(A limited number of Vadas only will be available)

PRASADAMS (CHERUPU)

Anna Prasadams
Dadhyodanam : Rs. 100/-
Pulihora : Rs. 200/-
Pongal : Rs. 225/-
Chekkara Pongal : Rs. 250/-
Sakarabath : Rs. 250/-
Payasam : Rs. 225/-
Seera : Rs. 450/-

For further details about Sevas, Utsavams and Schemes please contact by S.T.D. to local Telephone, Phone No. 51777 Extn. 4271 and 4217 or 22153 at T.T.D. P.R.O. Office, Tirupati and also Telephone No. 77777 Extension: 3679 at Tirumala.

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PLACES OF INTEREST IN AND AROUND TIRUMALA

Swami Pushkarini: This Tank, adjacent to the temple, is highly sacred. Pilgrims take bath here before entering the temple.

Akasa Ganga: This is a waterfall about 3 kms. to the north of the temple.

Papavinasanam: This is about 5 kms. to the north of the temple.

Vaikuntha Tirtham: It is at a distance of about 3 kms. North-East of the temple.

Thumburu Thirtham: About 16 Kms. north of the temple.

Geological Arch: This rare geological formation is situated at 1 km. north of the temple.

Lepakshi Emporium: An ideal place for purchasing attractive handicrafts at moderate prices. This is situated near the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Central Reception Office.

T.T.D. Gardens: The Devasthanams maintain beautiful ornamental gardens with rare species of plants and trees.

Asthana Mandapam (Sadas Hall): This is the venue for the devotional programmes like discourses, music concerts, harikathas and bhajans conducted under the auspices of Dharma Prachara parishad.

Sri Venkateswara Museum: This Museum was established in 1980. Many interesting items like stone and wood carvings and articles used for puja, description of traditional art and architecture are on display.

TEMPLE TIMINGS AT TIRUMALA SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS

3-00 a.m. to	3-30 a.m.	Suprabhatam (only Rs. 100/- Special Entrance ticket holders will be admitted).
3-30 a.m. to	3-45 a.m.	Suddhi etc.
3-45 a.m. to	4-30 a.m.	Thomala Seva (Arjitham Rs. 200/- per head).

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4-30 a.m. to 4-45 a.m.	.... Koluvu and Panchanga Sravanam.
4-45 a.m. to 6-00 a.m.	.... 1st Archana i.e. Sahasranama Archana (Arjitha Rs. 200/- per head).
6-00 a.m. to 6-30 a.m.	.... 1st Bell, Bali and Sathumora.
11-00 a.m. to 12-00 noon	.... Suddhi, Second Archana (Ekantam) and Second Bell etc.
7-00 a.m. to 7-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
1-00 p.m. to 5-00 p.m.	.... Arjitha Kalyanotsavam, Brahmotsavam, Vahana Sevas, Unjal Sevas etc.
7-00 p.m. to 8-00 p.m.	.... Suddhi, Night Kainkaryams (Ekantam) and Night Bell.
8-00 p.m. to 10-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
10-00 p.m. to 10-30 p.m.	.... Suddhi, preparations for Ekanta Seva.
10-30 p.m.	.... Ekanta Seva (Arjitham Rs.100/- per head).

Note : Sarvadarsanam will be continued beyond 10-00 p.m. subject to rush.

MONDAYS

Special Seva – Visesha Puja: 7-00 a.m. to 9-00 a.m.

3-00 a.m. to 3-30 a.m.	.... Suprabhatam (only Rs. 100/- Special Entrance ticket holders will be admitted).
3-30 a.m. to 3-45 a.m.	.... Suddhi etc.
3-45 a.m. to 4-30 a.m.	.... Thomala Seva (Arjitham Rs. 200/- per head).
4-30 a.m. to 4-45 a.m.	.... Koluvu and Panchanga Sravanam.
4-45 a.m. to 6-00 a.m.	.... 1st Archana i.e. Sahasranama Archana (Arjitha Rs. 200/- per head).
6-00 a.m. to 6-30 a.m.	.... 1st Bell, Bali and Sattumora.
6-30 a.m. to 7-00 a.m.	.... Suddhi, Second Archana (Ekantam) and Second Bell etc.
7-00 a.m. to 9-00 a.m.	.... **Visesha Pooja**
7-00 a.m. to 7-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
1-00 p.m. to 5-00 p.m.	.... Arjitha Kalyanotsavam, Brahmotsavam, Vahana Sevas, Unjal Sevas etc.
7-00 p.m. to 8-00 p.m.	.... Suddhi, Night Kainkaryams (Ekantam) and Night Bell.
8-00 p.m. to 10-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**

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10-00 p.m. to 10-30 p.m.	.... Suddhi, preparations for Ekanta Seva.
10-30 p.m.	.... Ekanta Seva (Arjitham Rs.100/- per head).

Note : Sarvadarsanam will be continued beyond 10-00 p.m. subject to rush.

TUESDAYS

(Special Seva : Ashtadala Pada Padmaradhana)

6.30 a.m. to 7.30 a.m.

3-00 a.m. to 3-30 a.m.	.... Suprabhatam (only Rs. 100/- Special Entrance ticket holders will be admitted).
3-30 a.m. to 3-45 a.m.	.... Suddhi etc.
3-45 a.m. to 4-30 a.m.	.... Thomala Seva (Arjitham Rs. 200/- per head).
4-30 a.m. to 4-45 a.m.	.... Koluvu and Panchanga Sravanam inside Bangaru Vakili.
4-45 a.m. to 6-00 a.m.	.... 1st Archana i.e. Sahasranama Archana (Arjitham Rs. 200/- per head).
6-00 a.m. to 6-30 a.m.	.... I Bell, Bali and Sattumora.
6-30 a.m. to 7-30 a.m.	.... Suddhi Ashtadala Pada Padmaradhana Seva (2nd Archana with Golden Lotus Flowers). II Bell.
7-30 a.m. to 7-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
1-00 p.m. to 5-00 p.m.	.... Arjitha Kalyanotsavam, Brahmotsavam, Vahana Sevas, Unjal Sevas etc.
7-00 p.m. to 8-00 p.m.	.... Suddhi, Night Kainkaryams (Ekantam) and Night Bell.
8-00 p.m. to 10-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
10-00 p.m. to 10-30 p.m.	.... Suddhi, preparations for Ekanta Seva.
10-30 p.m.	.... Ekanta Seva (Rs. 100/- ticket holders are admitted).

Note : Sarvadarsanam will be continued beyond 10-00 p.m. subject to rush.

WEDNESDAYS

(Special Seva: S.K.Abhishekam) 6.30 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.

3-00 a.m. to 3-30 a.m.	.... Suprabhatam (only Rs. 100/- Special Entrance ticket holders will be admitted).
3-30 a.m. to 3-45 a.m.	.... Suddhi etc.
3-45 a.m. to 4-30 a.m.	.... Thomala Seva (Rs. 200/- per head).

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4-30 a.m. to 4-45 a.m.	.... Koluvu and Panchanga Sravanam inside Bangaru Vakili.
4-45 a.m. to 6-00 a.m.	.... 1st Archana i.e. Sahasranama Archana (Rs. 200/- per head).
6-00 a.m. to 6-30 a.m.	.... I Bell, Bali and Sattumora. preparations for S.K. Abhishekam, etc.
6-30 a.m. to 8-30 a.m.	.... Arjitha Sahasrakalasabhishekam, 2nd Archana (Ekantam) and Bell.
8-30 a.m. to 7-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
1-00 p.m. to 5-00 p.m.	.... Arjitha Kalyanotsavam, Brahmotsavam, Vahana Sevas and Unjal Sevas.
7-00 p.m. to 8-00 p.m.	.... Suddhi, Night Kainkaryams and Night Bell etc.
8-00 p.m. to 10-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
10-00 p.m. to 10-30 p.m.	.... Suddhi, preparations for Ekanta Seva.
10-30 p.m.	.... Ekantha Seva (Rs. 100/- ticket holders are admitted).

Note : Sarvadarsanam will be continued beyond 10-00 p.m. subject to rush.

THURSDAYS

(Special Seva : Tiruppavada) 6.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m.
Poolangi Seva - 8.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

3-00 a.m. to 3-30 a.m.	.... Suprabhatam (only Rs. 100/- Special Entrance ticket holders will be admitted).
3-30 a.m. to 3-45 a.m.	.... Suddhi etc.
3-45 a.m. to 4-30 a.m.	.... Thomala Seva (Rs. 200/- per head).
4-30 a.m. to 4-45 a.m.	.... Koluvu and Panchanga Sravanam inside Bangaru Vakili.
4-45 a.m. to 6-00 a.m.	.... 1st Archana i.e. Sahasranama Archana (Rs. 200/- per head).
6-00 a.m. to 6-30 a.m.	.... I Bell, Bali and Sattumora.
6-30 a.m. to 8-00 a.m.	.... Sallimpu, 2nd Archana (Ekantam) Tiruppavada Alankaram, Bell etc.
8-00 a.m. to 6-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
1-00 p.m. to 5-00 p.m.	.... Arjitha Kalyanotsavam, Brahmotsavam, Vahana Sevas and Unjal Sevas.
6-00 p.m. to 8-00 p.m.	.... Pedda Suddhi, Night Kainkaryams, Poolangi Samarpana and Night Bell, etc.
8-00 p.m. to 10-00 p.m.	.... **Poolangi Sarvadarsanam**

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10-00 p.m. to 10-30 p.m.	.... Suddhi, preparations for Ekanta Seva.
10-30 p.m.	.... Ekanta Seva (Rs. 100/- ticket holders are admitted).

Note : Sarvadarsanam will be continued beyond 10-00 p.m. subject to rush.

FRIDAYS

(Special Seva : Abhishekam - 4.30 a.m. to 6.00 a.m.)

3-00 a.m. to 3-30 a.m.	.... Suprabhatam (only Rs. 100/- Special Entrance ticket holders will be admitted).
3-30 a.m. to 4-30 a.m.	.... Sallimpu, Suddhi, Nityakatl Kainkaryams, Morning I Bell an preparations for Abhishekam.
4-30 a.m. to 6-00 a.m.	.... Abhishekam.
6-00 a.m. to 7-00 a.m.	.... Samarpana.
7-00 a.m. to 8-00 a.m.	.... Thomalaseva and Archana (Arjitham Rs.400/- per head).
8-00 a.m. to 9-00 a.m.	.... II Bell, Bali and Sattumora
9-00 a.m. to 8-30 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
1-00 p.m. to 5-00 p.m.	.... Arjitha Kalyanotsavam, Bra savam etc.
7-00 p.m. to 8-30 p.m.	.... Sahasra Deepalankara Sev Kolimi Mantapam.
8-30 p.m. to 9-30 p.m.	.... Suddhi, Night Kainkaryams and Night Bell etc.
9-30 p.m. to 10-00 p.m.	.... **Sarvadarsanam**
10-00 p.m. to 10-30 p.m.	.... Suddhi, preparations for Seva.
10-30 p.m.	.... Ekanta Seva (Rs.100/- tic ers are admitted).

Note : Sarvadarsanam will be continued beyond 10-C to rush.

SRI PADMAVATHI AMMAVARI TEMPLE: TIR

DAILY PROGRAMMES

5-00 a.m. to 5-30 a.m.	.... Suprabhatam.
5-30 a.m. to 6-00 a.m.	.... Sahasranama Arch Archana.
6-00 a.m. to 6-30 a.m.	.... Suddi & Ist Bell.
6-30 a.m. to 11-30 a.m.	.... Sarvadarshanam.
9-30 a.m. to 10-00 a.m.	.... Suddi & IInd Bell
11-30 a.m. to 6-00 p.m.	.... Sarvadarshanam

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10-30 a.m.	to 12-00 Noon	....	Kalyanotsavam
5-00 p.m.	to 6-00 p.m.	....	Unjalseva
6-30 p.m.	to 7-00 p.m.	....	Suddi & Night Bell
7-00 p.m.	to 8-45 p.m.	....	Sarvadarshanam
8-45 p.m.	to 9-00 p.m.	....	Suddi
9-00 p.m.		....	Ekanthaseva

FRIDAY PROGRAMME

4-00 a.m.	to 4-30 a.m.	....	Suprabhatham
4-30 a.m.	to 5-00 a.m.	....	Sahasranamarchana
	n. to 5-30 a.m.	....	Ist Bell
7-00	n. to 6-00 a.m.	....	Preparation for Abhishekam
	n. to 7-00 a.m.	....	Abhishekam
8-0	m. to 8-00 a.m.	....	Alankaram & IInd Bell
8-00 a.m.	to 8-00 p.m.	....	Sarvadarshanam
10-30 a.m.	to 12-00 Noon	....	Kalyanotsavam
5-00 p.m.	to 8-00 p.m.	....	Procession & Unjalseva
	to 8-30 p.m.	....	Suddi & Night Bell
Note	to 9-00 p.m.	....	Sarvadarshanam
	to 9-15 p.m.	....	Suddi
(Spec		....	Ekanthaseva

ARJITHA UTSAVAMS

3-00 a.

ANOTSAVAM :

This is celebrated every day at Kalyana Mandapam except durin
vam and on some festival occasions.

3-45 a.p	....	Rs. 500/- .
	....	10.30 A.M.
4-30 a.m. ved	....	Five .
	....	Vastra Bahumanam (one silk u
4-45 a.m. t		tariyam.
	....	and blouse piece).
6-00 a.m. t	*ADA :*	
6-30 a.m. t	....	Every Thursday at 9.30 a.m.
	....	Rs. 3,000/-
8-00 a.m. t ed	....	Ten
	....	Laddu - 20 Nos.
1-00 p.m. t	....	Vada - 20 Nos.
	....	Appam - 20 Nos.
	....	Dosai - 20 Nos.
6-00 p.m. to	....	One silk Uttariyam

8-00 p.m. to 1

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UNJAL SEVA

Performance :	....	Daily between 5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Friday 6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.
Payment	....	Rs. 116/- (One day).
	....	Rs. 1,116/- (Permanent)

ABHISHEKAM

Performance :	Every Friday at 6.00 A.M.	
Payment	....	Rs. 100/- per head.
Abhishekam Darshanam	....	Rs.5/- per head from.
	....	6.00 a.m to 7.00 a.m.

NITHYA ARCHANA :

Payment	....	Rs. 150/- Per one year
	....	Rs. 1,650/- Permanent

RATES OF FOOD OFFERINGS :

Dadhyodanam	....	Rs. 75/-
Pulihora	....	Rs. 100/-
Pongal	....	Rs. 200/-
Chakkera Pongal	....	Rs. 200/-
Sakar Bath	....	Rs. 250/-
Seera	....	Rs. 400/-
Dosai	....	Rs. 100/-

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